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ENGLISH TOPICS.

The recent case of Miller in England
brought out with an intensity that was abso-
lutely painful to witness, that morbid taste
for the horrible and the mysterious which
seems to form so large an ingredient in the
Anglo-Saxon character. From the London
Times, downwards the press has been pro-
ducing sensational articles on the subject for
the last two or three months, and the hanging
of the murderer has afforded much exer-
cise to the reading public, if we might
judge from the elaborate reports of the affair,
as it has to the pick-pockets, gadding rabble
that gathered around Newgate during the
night preceding and the morning of the execu-
tion. The intense interest in Miller's
affairs was not, however, confined to England.
In Germany his case was taken up as one
demanding almost a national protest; and the
Duke of Saxe-Wartburg and Saar Coburg
Gotha, and it is said, "even the King of
Prussia," sent to the Queen at Windsor
Castle, telegrams praying for his respite. In
the meantime the German mind was wrought
up to a high pitch of indignation against
Englishmen generally—some of the news-
papers going so far as to assert that the ex-
ecution of Miller was merely an opportunity
of showing to Germany how furious was
Great Britain's hate to the people who
drove the Duke out of Schleswig-Hol-
stein. It is rather curious to note what
importance is attached to common-place
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NEW BILLS.

Mr. DeCosmo gave notice, for next meet-
ing, of a Bill of a Bill to regulate
weights and measures; also a Bill respecting
the descent of real and personal property in
the colony.

SCHOOL BILL.

The House went into committee on this
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Mr. DeCosmo could not see any other
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Speaker that the bill was cumbersome; it
had been introduced by him, and reflected
credit on its introducer.

The clause was postponed till the remainder
of the bill had been disposed of.

On clause 2, providing for the appointment
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to consider the education of Indians, and
especially the necessity of a Board on Edu-
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Auction Sales This Day:

J. A. McCrea will sell, on the premises of the Regimental, at 12 o'clock a.m., the Stock, Fixtures, Lease and Good Will of Smith's Hotel.

The Hawaian.—The Public Auction for Name yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. The services due at 12 m. New hotel afterwards for the same port, being specially chartered by the theatrical troupe.

From Puget Sound.—The steamer Elias Anderson and Jenny Jones, arrived from the Sound yesterday morning with passengers and freight as below.

The Mail Steamer sailed for San Francisco direct yesterday morning at 11:30 a.m. with a large number of passengers.

From NAMIBIA.—The sloop Alvin arrived yesterday with a cargo of coal to Kavanga's Co.

CONFIDENTIAL.

For steamer ELIZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound—50 cwt. oats, 6 lbs and 1 kg butter, 16 lbs salt, 1 horse, 145 sheep, 6 goats, 1 calf and 11 hogs dressed 12 lbs each.

For steamer JENNY JONES from Port Towns—20 lbs flour, 75 sheep, 129 bushel potatoes, 250 do oats, 25 bushel apples. Value \$925.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Jan 10—Star Elias Anderson, Finch, Port Angeles.

Sun Jenny Jones, Finch, Port Angeles.

Sat Thordrile, Thornton, San Juan.

Sun George, Hobson, Port Angeles.

Sat Elias, Carlton, Sanan.

Sun Elias Anderson, Finch, Port Angeles.

Sun Catherine, Frim, Namibia.

Sun A. Webster, Mill, Port Angeles.

Sun Oregon, Johnson, San Francisco.

Sun May, Waller, Finch.

DEATHS.

In this city Jan. 10th, Margaret, daughter of William and Mary Ann, Baby, aged 3 years 1 month 14 days.

THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE LECTURES.

The first lecture of the course arranged by the Mechanics' Literary Institute was delivered last night in the Lyceum Hall. His Excellency the Governor took the chair at half past seven o'clock, and was supported on the platform by G. M. Sproat, Esq., Vice-President; Thomas Trounce, Esq., Honorary Treasurer; E. G. Atston, Esq., Hon. Secretary, and the venerable Archdeacon Gibson, the lecturer of the evening. The body of the hall was crowded by a most respectable audience, among whom were a very large number of ladies, several clergymen, members of the Legislative and the City Council, and many of our principal citizens.

The proceedings of the evening were opened by His Excellency, who read an excellent address on the benefits and advantages of Mechanics' Institutes generally, concluding with a few well-timed remarks urging the claims of the Victoria Institute on the public.

His Excellency then called on Capt. Lang, V.C., to deliver the opening address.

Mr. Lang said it would not become him to make the eloquent address they had so just listened to from His Excellency, but he hoped they would bear with him while he briefly spoke on the origin and intention of the Mechanics' Institute. The Institute had been organized at a meeting of the subscribers, which was thought to be a small meeting, through the efforts of a large meeting, a large meeting generally did very little work, and the name of the Institute, it had been objected to by some as a moniker, but he had come to the conclusion that the name was a good—the best one. The speaker added to the good name of the Institute, and had hoped that the Institute would follow in their great example.

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NOTICES

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MINISTRATION OF THE
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WILSON, IN THE CITY OF VICTORIA,
B.C., IS HEREBY NOTIFIED.

THOMAS PATRICK,
Patrick's Building, Government St.
Witness, RODERICK BISHOP, Notary.

Dated 9th December, 1864.

Copartnership Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
I have this day admitted Mr. ALGERON
LAWRENCE, a young Gentleman, to my
firm, KAVANAGH & CO., under whose name the
business will be transacted. All existing
partnerships, agreements, and contracts
will remain in full force and effect, and
will be held by the firm of KAVANAGH &
CO., until such time as I may see fit to
make other arrangements.

D. KAVANAGH & CO.
Bridge Wharf, January 5th, 1865.

NOTICE.

DURING MY ABSENCE IN ENGLAND
MR. CHARLES W. E. THOMSON holds my
Power of Attorney, and
ALFRED FELLOWS, my
Business Manager.

Victoria Building Company, Limited.
MEMBERS, AT A GENERAL MEETING
of the above-named Company, held
October 20th, 1864, resolved to make a call
on all shareholders, to the amount of
£100 per share, to be paid on or before
January 1st, 1865, will be forfeited, and the amount
so forfeited, together with costs, recovered by
legal process.

The call to pay the same will be held open
until the 1st of February, 1865, at which date
the call will again be made.

THOMAS ALLISON, Secy.,
Government street, Victoria, Dec. 26th, 1864.

NOTICE.

ALL PARTIES HAVING ANY
claims against us will, please present the same,
and will be entitled to full payment thereon,
at our office, 10, Bridge Wharf, Victoria, Wharf
street.

KOSHLAND BROS.
Victoria, Dec. 17th, 1864.

REMOVAL.

MR. JOHN OSPELAND, MERCHANT, has
removed to his new premises on
Bastion (between Government and Langley) streets.

N.—Two offices up stairs to let.

dols in

Notice to the Public.

PROFESSOR DALY, CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND PRESIDENT OF THE PROFESSION IN
EVERY COUNTRY, VICTORIA, B.C., CANADA, and
the public shall operations on Smoky Chimney
are suspended until the close of the year.

DALY.

London Hotel.

dols in

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE PARTNERSHIP HITCHERTO
between James Duncan and Robert
George, Austin, was dissolved on the 1st of
this day, having been dissolved by mutual
consent. James Duncan assuming all liabilities of the late
firm.

JAMES DUNCAN,

ROBERT GEORGE;

Mr. Wm. Gossell is authorized to collect all
outstanding debts.

Victoria, 24th December, 1864.

dols in

Copartnership Notice.

GEORGE CHUCKECKHAN HAS
this day been admitted into the firm of GUILDFORD
DAVIS & CO., Merchants, Victoria, B.C., as
a partner thereto.

The present name of GUILDFORD, DAVID & CO.

George Chukeckhan alone is authorized to sign
the name of the firm.

A. H. GUILDFORD,

JULES DAVID, dols in

October 25th, 1864.

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GROCERY.

MRS. HEIN,

GOVERNMENT STREET.

Has just received

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